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SENATE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ENGROSSED NO. **SB 181** - 01/28/2013

Introduced by: Senator Brown and Representatives Hoffman and Cronin

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to provide licensing reciprocity for social workers.

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

3 Section 1. That chapter 36-26 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
4 follows:

5 The board shall issue a license to an applicant who holds a current and active social worker
6 license in another state or territory of the United States upon application if the standards for
7 licensure in that state or territory are no less stringent than the requirements set forth in this
8 chapter. The board may not require the applicant to provide documentation other than a
9 verification of licensure from the state that issued the licence and the applicant's personal
10 identification information. The board may also require the applicant to provide a letter from the
11 licensing board in the state where the applicant is licensed certifying that the applicant's license
12 is current and valid, that there have been no complaints filed against the applicant, and that there
13 are no ongoing investigations or ethics violations against the applicant.

14 Section 2. That chapter 36-26 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
15 follows:



- 1 The board may enter into a national or multi state licensing compact to provide licensing
- 2 reciprocity for social workers.